



UPDATED MEDIA RELEASE

Child Molest Arrests 13-Year Old Victim Molested by 3 Perpetrators

SANTA BARBARA, CA – June 14, 2012

Photo of Martin Morales now available.



Morales, Martin

SANTA BARBARA, CA – June 11, 2012

On March 19, 2012, SBPD Crimes against Persons Detective Brian Larson conducted a follow-up investigation to a Child Welfare Services referral indicating that a 13-year old female victim (12-years old at the time of the offense) might have been the victim of child molestation by a neighborhood acquaintance. The victim and her family reside on the lower Eastside. The incident was reported to CWS after one of the child's parents found suspicious Facebook communications between the victim and perpetrator.

Over the course of his investigation Detective Larson determined that Jonathan Mendoza Cisneros, age 25, engaged in sexual activity with the victim. Detective Larson arrested Cisneros on March 29, 2012, for felony child molest and booked him into Santa Barbara County Jail with a bail amount of \$100,000.00.

Detective Larson's investigation also revealed that the victim was molested by another acquaintance, Jose David Hernandez-Alecio, age 25. On April 6, 2012, Detective Larson arrested Hernandez-Alecio for the felonies of child molest and penetration with a foreign object to a victim under 14-years of age with the suspect greater than 10-years older (digital penetration). He was booked into Santa Barbara County Jail with a bail amount of \$100,000.00.

On June 4, 2012, SBPD Crimes against Persons Detective Charlie Katsapis conducted a follow-up investigation to a report from Planned Parenthood at 516 Garden Street that a 13-year old victim had informed staff that she had sexual intercourse with a 19-year old man. Planned Parenthood is mandated by law to report crimes of this nature to law enforcement. Detective Katsapis and his partners in the Crimes against Persons detail recognized the victim in this case to be the same girl from Detective Larson's previous investigation.

In his investigation Detective Katsapis determined that Martin Morales, age 19, had engaged in a sexual relationship with the victim, who considers Morales to be her boyfriend. The victim had gone to Planned

Parenthood because she was concerned that she might be pregnant. Detective Katsapis arrested Morales on June 6, 2012, for felony child molest and booked him into Santa Barbara County Jail with a bail amount of \$100,000.00.



Cisneros, Jonathan Mendoza



Hernandez-Alecio, Jose David

Booking photo of Morales not currently available.

Sergeant Riley L. Harwood, Community & Media Relations / PIO

Phone: (805) 897-2320

Fax: (805) 897-2420

Email: rlharwood@sbpd.com



SBPD alerts and community information online now at www.nixle.com

###